

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
HEALTH POLICY**

Tuesday, May 24, 2005

10:30 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Health Policy was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Murphy, Gleason, Angerer.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Robertson moved to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2005 meeting. Representative Adamini supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid SB 352 before the committee.

SB 352 Hardiman Health; pharmaceuticals; prohibition against mail order pharmaceuticals and centralized prescription processing; eliminate prohibition and provide for.

Stacey Hettiger of the House Republican Policy Office testified on SB 352. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Nadine Nosal of the UAW International Union.

Wendy Hofmeyer of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

Felicia Wasson of St. John Health System.

Bill Knox of AARP.

Greg Baran of the Michigan Pharmacists Association.

Representative Robertson moved to report SB 352 with recommendation. Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Newell, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, McDowell, Murphy, Gleason, Angerer.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 4670 before the committee.

HB 4670 Newell

Occupations; physicians; special volunteer license for retired physicians; provide for.

Representative Gary Newell, sponsor of HB 4670, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Doug Borruso of the Michigan Osteopathic Association testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

James Schnackenberg of the Barry-Eaton District Health Department testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Greg Baran of the Michigan Pharmacists Association.

Colin Ford of the Michigan State Medical Society.

Erik Harris of the Michigan Nurses Association.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

Representative Edward Gaffney, Chair_____

Dan Stump, Committee Clerk

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